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## COMMERCIAL CLUB DRIVE IS BEING PLANNED

Columbians Decide on Organization, With 500 Permanent Members, at Meeting.

75 MEMBERS PRESENT  
Budget Fixed at \$7,500. "A Community Organization" Is Added to Name of Club.

COMMERCIAL CLUB PROGRAM  
1. Drive for 500 permanent members.  
2. Budget of \$7,500.  
3. Name, Columbia Commercial Club, a Community Organization.  
4. The whole public to boost.

The citizens of Columbia decided to have a Commercial Club with at least 500 permanent members at a mass meeting last night at the Daniel Boone Tavern. Seventy-five persons attended. The following resolution was passed:

That this meeting approve a plan for a campaign to secure at least 500 members for the Commercial Club at a minimum of \$10, with institutional membership at a higher rate to be fixed by the campaign committee, and a total budget of not less than \$7,500. All members to be permanent until resigned by the member in writing.

It was understood that institutional membership be only the institution and not men in the employ of the firm or company represented. The name Columbia Commercial Club was retained, but "A Community Organization" is to be associated with it.

A motion to obtain pledges at the mass meeting was voted down, as it had been advertised that no pledges would be taken. The drive for members and the increased budget is to take place as soon as the organization for it can be made.

THE CLUB OF THE FUTURE  
R. L. Hill, president of the Commercial Club, presided. "The time has now come for an enlarged institution—a Commercial Club that is bigger and with a more constructive program. We need new members and an increased budget," he said.

"The present membership of the club is 185 distributed as follows: 146 business men, 20 professional men, 14 faculty members and 5 farmers. A tentative membership has been worked out by which the Commercial Club should have 490 business men, 75 professional men, 100 faculty members and 50 farmers or a total membership of 675.

"Last year we raised a total budget of \$3,925.50. We need from \$7,500 to \$10,000 for the kind of program we should have the coming year," he declared.

"The Commercial Club in the future should attempt to affiliate the farmers more closely with Columbia; should cooperate with the real estate men and adopt a building program for Columbia which will bring more families to this city while their children are in school here; to have the Old Trails Road established as a primary road across Missouri; and to assist the University and Stephens and Christian colleges. One of the biggest things that the board of directors has to contend with is to keep down and keep out many things that outsiders want to do in Columbia which would not be beneficial to the city."

WHAT THE CITIZENS SAY  
Many persons spoke expressing themselves as favoring a Commercial Club and pledging their support to the action of the meeting.

President James M. Wood: "There is no other organization in the city for which I have a more profound respect than the Commercial Club. I pledge every ounce of support of Stephens College to every thing that you sanction. You have been doing a tremendous piece of work under your present leadership. You have supported Stephens College at all times."

Dr. Isidor Loeb: "President Jones asked me to express his deep interest in the Commercial Club. No other organization means so much to the welfare of the community and of the University as the Commercial Club. The future has great promise for this community. The Commercial Club is a community organization and should be developed as such."

Dr. J. W. Hudson pledged the co-operation and support of the Rotary Club: "Individually and collectively in any way the Commercial Club can use us. The time has come for expansion. We are no longer an immature club, but a mature club, needing more members and plans for a more progressive future."

W. H. Braxton: "The Rotary Club is in no way an infringement on the Commercial Club, but every member will be a member of the Commercial Club. We can have and will have the best Commercial Club in the state of Missouri."

Barton Roberts: "The Commercial Club is necessary and vital to the interests of this city. With a larger budget it will do more for the town. We should make it a community enterprise."

W. L. Nelson: "We should have no trouble in getting 675 members. We need 1,000 members and a \$10,000 bud-

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; warmer Wednesday. Lowest temperature tonight 28 or 30.

For Missouri: Fair tonight and probably Wednesday; slightly warmer tonight southeast portion; warmer Wednesday. Local Data: The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 54 degrees, and the lowest last night was 28 degrees. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 75 degrees, and the lowest was 41 degrees. Sun rose today at 6:33 a. m. Sun sets today at 6:08 p. m. Moon sets 1:40 a. m.

get. We should have the best kind of a full-time secretary and big constructive ideals. The spirit of this meeting tonight is the best of any meeting I have ever attended in Columbia."

Prof. J. E. Wrench suggested that an announcement of the general aims and purposes of the Commercial Club and especially those of a non-commercial nature be made showing the faculty members that the organization is a real community movement. This would assist in getting such men to become members. Dean F. B. Mumford said it might be worth while for the board of directors to give thought to this and tell what the Commercial Club is doing for those other than the business members.

## CONTRACT FOR PAINTING LET

Hatton Brothers Will Decorate Inside of Courthouse.

The contract for mural decoration in the courthouse was let by the county court this afternoon to Hatton Brothers, 14 North Tenth street, the firm which had charge of the decoration of the Daniel Boone Tavern at the time of its construction. The cost will be \$225. Seven other bids ranging from \$276, the next lowest to \$348.50 were received.

The walls and ceilings of the corridors are to be repainted in the same color, all woodwork cleaned and varnished, and the steel portions of the stairs retouched. The work must be completed by April 1.

## MEETING MAY AVERT STRIKE

Harding Asks Davis to Urge Conference of Miners and Operators.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—President Harding has asked James J. Davis, secretary of labor, to insist that the coal-miners and operators meet in conference to avert the nationwide coal strike threatened for April 1, it was officially announced at the White House today.

The President believes that the operators and miners must join in such a conference in order to keep faith with the agreement signed in March, 1920.

CHICAGO, March 7.—Railroad employees receive higher wages than workers in other industries. J. W. Higgins, executive secretary of the Association of Western Railroads, today told the United States Labor Board in presenting the railroads' demand for an additional 10 per cent wage cut.

Western states in twenty-eight western states are receiving lower wages than those paid railroad employees. Higgins represents 101 western railroads. Eighty to ninety per cent of employees in California, Louisiana, Minnesota, Nebraska, Texas, Utah and Wisconsin receive less than railroad men, according to a survey he submitted, while seventy to eighty per cent receive less in Missouri, Colorado, Illinois, New Mexico and Oregon.

## TO STANDARDIZE HOSPITAL

Boone County Trustees meet Here This Morning.

The board of trustees of the Boone County Hospital decided at a meeting this morning to standardize the hospital, according to the requirements of the American Hospital Association and the American Association of Surgeons.

Dr. F. G. Nifong and Dr. C. M. Sneed were appointed members of the Boone County Hospital staff for this year. The monthly accounts of the hospital were allowed.

Those present at the meeting were H. Banks, chairman, and N. T. Gentry, secretary; of Columbia; Dennis Spelman, Sturgeon and T. P. Brown, Hallsville.

## REVENUE MAN TO LEAVE

Income Tax Returns May Be Filed at Courthouse Tomorrow.

Federal income tax returns may be filed tomorrow in the farmer's room at the courthouse. Irbey C. Henry announced this afternoon.

Mr. Henry, who represents the Internal Revenue Department here, will leave for St. Louis tomorrow night. Returns after that time must be mailed to the Collector of Internal Revenue, St. Louis. The final date for filing the federal returns is March 15.

Club to Discuss C. Cramer's Work.  
Kathryn Cramer's sketches and short stories will be the subject for discussion at a meeting of the Fortnightly Club to be held in Read Hall at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Mrs. W. S. Williams will be the leader of the meeting and will be assisted by Mrs. O. M. Stewart.

## AGRICULTURAL NEWS IS SENT BY RADIO HERE

College of Agriculture Gives Farm Information to 100 Mile Radius in Growing Season.

FIRST DISPATCH TODAY  
It Is Part of State Program to Give National Market and Other Reports to Missouri.

By United Press.  
JEFFERSON CITY, March 7.—Governor Arthur M. Hyde tonight will send his first official wireless message to President Harding from the wireless station at the capitol building.

The message will be transmitted by the state marketing bureau radio station. The College of Agriculture sent out its first wireless radiogram this morning. Wireless messages will be sent out regularly during the growing season concerning information that the farmers are interested in.

The following is a copy of the first message sent:

Radiogram No. 1. University of Missouri College of Agriculture.

Early sowing increases the yield of oats. The University of Missouri College of Agriculture reports that oats sown in central Missouri on March 17 last year came safely through the Easter freeze and yielded 48 bushels. Oats sown two weeks later yielded 37 bushels, and a month later only 25 bushels.

Arrangements have been made with the University R. O. T. C. wireless station for the sending of the reports. The radius of the station is about 100 miles, and will be increased in the near future. Wireless apparatus is being bought all over the state by banks, farmers clubs and newspapers, and wireless outfits are completely sold out. It is the belief of the promoters of the plan that it will soon be widely efficient and extensively developed.

## STATE SYSTEM INSTALLED

The Missouri State Board of Agriculture has installed a wireless radio and service station in the state capitol building at Jefferson City. The station is under the supervision of Willis Corwin, former student in the University of Missouri and wireless operator of the R. O. T. C. station here for several years.

The new station is known as the State Marketing Bureau Station and one of its chief functions is the sending of market reports daily by wireless telegraph and telephone. The question arises as to the market reports from the United States Bureau of Markets and broadcasts them over the state by wireless. In this service they receive reports from every large city in the United States and the foreign reports from the United States Bureau Station.

Besides this market service the station maintains a system of aid for the amateur stations over the state. Its idea in this is to foster the perfecting of wireless stations in every community in the state. In that way the market reports are received all over the state, immediately, and the operators are held responsible for the broadcasting of the reports in their community.

To further this system the state station intends to keep an expert radio operator going about the state to the small towns and cities to assist the amateurs in every way possible. This man will help install a wireless station wherever anyone may be interested in wireless. At present Mr. Corwin, from the Jefferson City station, is doing this work and O. S. McDaniel, operator of the local R. O. T. C. station is conducting the station in Jefferson City.

## PRESENT SCHEDULE USED

The state station has a schedule as follows: 9:30 and 11:30 a. m., Kansas City, St. Louis, and Eastern market reports; 10:10 a. m., official weather report from R. O. T. C. station at Columbia; 2 p. m., closing Kansas City Grain Market report; 5 p. m., market summary of the week up to 4:00 p. m. of that day on which it is sent; 8 p. m., music, speeches and concerts by wireless telephone; 8 to 9 p. m., on Monday, Wednesday and Friday special radio program by telephone.

The state radio station has just sent out blank forms for the operators over the state to take the market reports on. These forms make it easier for the operators to receive the reports and to keep them correct.

R. R. Hudelson Leaves for Canada.  
R. R. Hudelson, assistant professor of soils in the College of Agriculture, left yesterday for Chambersburg, Ill., where he will make a short stay with his family before returning to his farm in Alberta, Canada. Professor Hudelson has been teaching the Short Course students in soils during the winter months. He is in partnership with E. M. MacDonald, formerly assistant professor in field crops here, and they own 400 acres of irrigated land in Canada.

## Athenaeum Elects Members.

The Athenaeum Society elected the following new members Friday night: True Morse, Charles C. Tucker and John Vosdriek. These will be initiated some time in the future.

## LIVE STOCK FIRMS FACE CHARGE OF BOYCOTTING

Company With Headquarters Here Is One Alleged to Have Been Discriminated Against.

H. C. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture, has filed formal complaint against every live stock commission firm holding membership in the St. Louis Live Stock Exchange, and against those firms or traders at the St. Louis National Stock Yards which charge with maintaining a boycott against commission houses not members of the exchange. This is the first complaint to be filed under the Packers and Stock Yards Act, which gave this power to the Department of Agriculture.

The 110 defendants must appear in the Federal Court, St. Louis, March 10, to show cause why an order should not be entered requiring them to discontinue the alleged illegal practices. The Farmers' Live Stock Commission Co. is one of the non-member concerns which Secretary Wallace alleges has been boycotted. This organization works in East St. Louis.

Headquarters for this organization are in Columbia. J. A. Hudson, president of the Columbia Telephone Co., is the president, and Howard A. Cowden, secretary of the Missouri Farmers' Association, is secretary.

## EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR AND INJURES TWELVE

Kansas City Street Car Barn Wrecked When Compression Tank Breaks.

By United Press.  
KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 7.—Four persons were killed and twelve injured when an air tank explosion destroyed the street car barn at Ninth and Brighton streets here today.

The explosion in the compressing room of the barn shook buildings for blocks. It blew between thirty and forty feet of the barn several yards into the street.

Police reserves, firemen and ambulances were rushed to the scene.

## CHURCH TO GIVE BANQUET

High School Pupils Will Be Entertained Tonight.

Boys and girls of the city high schools, who are interested in the Christian Church will be entertained at a banquet at 6:30 o'clock this evening in the dining room of the church. Members of the Women's Council of the church will act as hostesses.

The tables will be decorated with snapdragons and ferns. Music will be furnished by the Columbia High School orchestra. Louis Potter will act as toastmaster. The program will be as follows: Talk by Mrs. D. A. Robnett; violin solo, Mildred Oliver; reading, Doris Harkie; talk, Albert Leonard; solo, Donald Harkie; talk, the Rev. W. M. Hausalter.

The program will be closed with group singing led by Donald Harkie and ending with "Old Missouri."

## LLOYD GEORGE IS PRAISED

Balfour Urges United Support for British Premier.

LONDON, March 7.—"No man could have headed the government better than Lloyd George," Arthur J. Balfour declared in a speech before the City Carlton Club here today.

"We must not weaken the government at this time by attempting to restore prematurely the two party system," Balfour's speech has been construed as a definite announcement that Lloyd George was determined not to resign at the present time.

## PLEDGES AMOUNT TO \$3,105

Money for Odd Fellow Home Coming in Fast.

Pledges amounting to \$3,105 have been received by the Odd Fellows committee in charge of the voluntary contributions for the new Odd Fellow home to be built on the corner of Walnut and Tenth streets. Only 150 less than one fourth of the members have been heard from, with contributions coming in every day.

The Odd Fellows plan to pay for the lots before making plans for the building. \$10,000 is needed for the purchase of the lots.

## St. Louis Pastor Conducts Revival.

Dr. Oscar C. Maxwell, pastor of the First Baptist Church of St. Louis, arrived here today to conduct a two-weeks' revival at the Broadway Baptist Church.

The revival meetings started Sunday night with a large attendance. Twenty-five neighborhood prayer meetings are held every evening at 6:30 o'clock. Prayer service starts at the church at 7:30 o'clock and preaching at 8 o'clock.

## Referred to Southeast Missouri.

The Missouri published an article on March 2 in which Prof. H. H. Krusekopf of the College of Agriculture, was quoted as saying that agricultural conditions in Southwest Missouri are demoralized. Professor Krusekopf referred to Southeast Missouri instead of Southwest Missouri.

## "Hands Off" Is Harding's Attitude.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—President Harding will maintain a "hands off" attitude toward the sharp fight now being waged in the Senate against the Four Power Pacific treaty it was stated officially at the White House today.

## Elton Nichols Held for Trial.

Elton Nichols was given a preliminary hearing before Judge John S. Bicknell this afternoon, charged with criminal assault. He was bound over to the Circuit Court and his bond placed at \$2,000.

## NEGRO CHURCHES HAVE ATTENDANCE OF 1,150

Broadway Baptist Church Leads With 735 While Women Out-number Men.

One thousand, one hundred and fifty negro men, women and children attended morning, afternoon and evening services of the four negro churches Sunday, according to reports of the pastors of the different churches. A survey conducted recently as to the number attending services at the churches of the white congregations showed that 5,085 attended.

The Broadway Baptist Church, with 735 present at the two services, had a larger attendance than the other three negro churches combined. Sixty-three men, ninety-nine women and eighty children were present at the morning services of the Baptist Church. At the evening services, the best attendance at all churches, 180 men, 223 women and 90 children were present.

The African Methodist Church had an attendance of 181 people at both services. Thirty men, forty women and ten children attended morning services and thirty-five men, fifty-six women and ten children were present at the evening services.

One hundred and thirty-nine people attended the St. Luke's Methodist Church, where three services were held. Nine men, fourteen women and two children attended morning services; eleven men, thirty-seven women and one child attended afternoon services and eighteen men, forty women and seven children were present at night services.

Ninety-five people were present at the two services of the Second Christian Church. Ten men, twelve women and ten children were present at the morning services; twenty-eight men, twenty-four women and eleven children were present at the night services.

Women won first attendance honors with a total of 545 while 384 men and 221 children were present at the services. The night services were most largely attended, 722 people being present as compared with 379 in the morning and 49 at the afternoon service.

## LIMERICK MAY BE ATTACKED

Rebellious Republican Troops Threaten the Free State Garrison There.

LIMERICK, March 7.—Irish Republican army troops loyal to the provisional government were closing in on Limerick today to prevent an attack upon the Free State force here, which has been ordered to evacuate by rebellious Republican troops who have invaded the town.

The forty-eight hour ultimatum presented the Free State garrison here, by rebel leaders has nearly expired, and rebellious Republican troops, on numbering the loyal force by five to one, threaten to attack the barracks. British troops here continue to be responsible for order and fear that a clash is near. It was reported that ten companies of provisional government troops were on their way here from Dublin.

The Republican invaders seized and occupied the Technical School upon entering the town.

## MARY COURTOWN WINS PRIZE

Sapp Brothers' Awards \$5 for Essay on Shoes for School Wear.

Mary Dell Courtown of the Dunbar School has won the prize offered by Sapp Brothers' shoe store for the best essay written by a student in the Boone County schools on the subject "The Best Shoes for School Wear." The prize is a pair of \$5 shoes.

The prize was offered by Sapp Brothers at the first of the school term last fall. Students in any of the county schools were eligible. There were sixty-four essays entered in the contest.

The essay with which Miss Courtown won the prize is written in the project style with pictorial illustrations of the right and wrong type of shoe for school wear. Miss Courtown is 14 years old and in the seventh grade.

## WATCH THE SHERIFF, BOYS

Columbia Police Have Power Only Over Crap Games in City.

Speaking of the crap game in progress Sunday afternoon beyond Stewart Bridge near the M. & T. tracks, Chief of Police Rowland today said the game was out of the jurisdiction of the Columbia police.

"As far as I am concerned they can hold all the games they want to outside of our jurisdiction," said Chief Rowland.

## FARM IS SOLD FOR \$18,400

Joseph R. Lynes Buys Pace Property Southeast of Columbia.  
P. M. Pace has sold an improved farm of 160 acres to Joseph R. Lynes for \$18,400. The property is about five miles southeast of Columbia.

Mrs. James Haffenden has bought lot thirty-two in block "E" of the Columbia Cemetery. The consideration was \$100.

## Eight Take Examinations.

Miss Vera Forbes and Miss Ferguson from Cedar Township were in Columbia last Friday and Saturday taking the teachers' examinations. The following have also taken the examinations: Eldon L. T. Sapp, the Rev. George T. Eldon, Roy E. Nichols, Sarah Hickman, Mrs. Ed Calvin and Miss Mable Nunn.

## STORM TOLL 6 IN 2 SOUTHERN MILL CENTERS

Twenty-Five Hurt in Tornado and Rain Storm in South Carolina Yesterday Morning.

RELIEF WORKERS RUSHED  
Property Losses in Stiffleton and Warrensville Mount—Wire Communication Demoralized.

By United Press.  
AIKEN, S. C., March 7.—Six persons were killed, and about forty injured in a tornado and rain storm which swept the western portion of the state early today, according to reports received here. Six dead and twenty-five injured were reported at Warrensville, and fifteen injured at Stiffleton.

Property loss will run high. Wire communication was demoralized. Both Warrensville and Stiffleton are cotton mill towns near here. Twenty-five houses were reported destroyed at Warrensville and ten at Stiffleton.

Relief workers carrying medical and food supplies have been dispatched to the two towns.

## WEST POINT CLASS LEAVES

Ten Hall School Graduates Take Examinations in St. Louis.

Ten men who have finished the preparatory training for entrance into West Point from the Hall West Point-Annapolis Coaching School in the Virginia Building, left Monday for St. Louis where they will take the entrance examination at Jefferson Barracks.

Those who made the trip are: Allen Robinson, Memphis, Tenn.; John Lawton, Knoxville, Tenn.; Hamilton Hawkins, Fort Riley, Kan.; Marion Moore, Fort Worth, Tex.; Richard Thompson, Ill.; Roy Spangler, Rock Island, Ill.; Lem Urban, William Roark and Harry Evans, Missouri; and James Shields, Indiana.

This is the second class that the school, which is conducted by U. S. Hall, 1317 Wilson avenue, has turned out this year. An examination for entrance into Annapolis was given in February, but Mr. Hall has not heard from any of the class as yet.

## RALPH YEHLE IS IMPROVING

C. W. Yehle of Maryville Here to Visit His Son.

C. W. Yehle of Maryville came to Columbia Saturday because of the serious illness of his son Ralph Yehle, who is in Parker Memorial Hospital.

Ralph hurt his knee several weeks ago on the track at Rollins Field. An infection set in which went to his throat, causing serious swelling. It then went to his wrists.

"A turn for the better came Saturday," says Mr. Yehle, "and improvement has been steady ever since. All the medical care and attention possible have been given him. The doctors and the nurses could not do more for him. He will be taken home as soon as he is able to be moved. I do not expect he will be able to return to the University this term."

Ralph Yehle is a junior in the College of Arts and Science. He is active in track and is also a violinist.

## THALIAN GUILD READS PLAY

Freshman Boys Give "Allison's Lad"—Others Planned for April.

"Allison's Lad" by Beulah Marie Dix, was read at the regular meeting of the Thalian Guild of the Columbia High School yesterday afternoon. The parts were taken by the following freshman boys: Otto Meyer, Lance Henderson, William Watts, Bonifoy Hulett, Oliver Williams and Donald Johnson.

Two one-act plays, "Mrs. Pat and the Law" by Mary Aldis and "The Maker of Dreams" by Oliphant Down, will be presented by the club about the first of April. Neither the definite date nor the casts have been fully decided upon.

Miss Juliette Moss and Miss Hazel Hoffman will coach the plays.

## Alumni Planning Glee Club Concert.

The St. Louis branch of the Missouri Alumni Association is making extensive plans for the Glee Club concert to be held at the Moulton Temple, St. Louis, March 16. All seniors of the St. Louis high schools and all high schools of the county will be the guests of the Alumni Association at this concert. Each alumni is being given two tickets and urged to attend. The Memorial Union Drive will be given attention and plans worked out to raise money for this meeting.

## President J. C. Jones Is Still Ill.

President J. C. Jones is unable to resume his duties as he is still suffering from a bad cold. He probably will be able to be in his office either tomorrow or the next day, according to Mrs. Jones.

## Jannette White Goes to Centralia.

Miss Jannette R. White superintendent of schools at Ashland, was called home last week-end because of the illness of her mother, Mrs. Lizzie White, at Centralia.

## Kansas Defeats Nebraska, 41 to 18.

The Jayhawkers added another to their long list of victories when they defeated Nebraska last night at Lawrence. The score was 41 to 18.

## S. A. CHITWOOD, 73, DIES

Three Weeks Ago Boone County Pioneer Was Married.

S. A. Chitwood, 73 years old, pioneer Boone Countyman, died at his apartment in the Stephens Endowment Building yesterday after a short illness. His physicians believe that he was ill of diphtheria but are not certain.

Mr. Chitwood was head of the warehouse department of the 23 Transfer Company for 14 years.

Three weeks ago Thursday Mr. Chitwood was married to Mrs. M. E. Phillips.

Besides his wife, Mr. Chitwood is survived by three sons and three step-daughters. They are A. W. Chitwood, East St. Louis, Ill.; T. H. Chitwood, Fort Scott, Kans.; Elmore Chitwood, who is in construction work in Northern California; Mrs. Paul Hulett, Columbia; Mrs. Fred Tillner, Mountain Home, Idaho; Mrs. A. V. Settle, Muskogee, Okla.

Mr. Chitwood was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge for forty years. He joined the Rochester Lodge then and has been active in the Columbia lodge for fourteen years.

When the Civil War broke out, Mr. Chitwood was just a youngster, but all the men on the farm had to leave so he did the work on the farm. His mother died when he was very young and he lived with his uncle on a farm near Rochester.

Funeral services will be held at the home at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Burial will be made in Columbia Cemetery. The Rev. J. D. Randolph will conduct the services.

## SMALL TRIAL DELAYED

Illinois Governor Obtains Postponement Again.

By United Press.  
WAUKESHA, Ill., March 7.—The trial of Governor Len Small of Illinois was postponed yesterday until April 3. Governor Small is charged with conspiracy to embezzle state funds.

The Governor asked for a sixty day delay in order to attend to the letting of spring road building contracts but Judge C. Edwards would only grant him thirty days on the condition that there would be no more delays.

Alexander F. Resubien of the defense counsel argued the motion for delay. Resubien again brought forth the argument that the governor's lawyers advanced at Springfield last July, that the governor should not be tried during term of office as his executive duties were all important.

State's Attorney Mortimer declared that Col. C. R. Miller was qualified to handle the road question without any considerable assistance from the defense. Mortimer also attacked the governor's statement that the road contracts can only be issued and signed at Springfield. He argued that Edward F. Miller, state treasurer, said that the papers could be signed by the governor any place that he happened to be.

Curtis, Grant Park, Ill., banker, was arraigned and pleaded not guilty. His trial will follow immediately that of the governor's.

## BONUS BILL IS APPROVED

Measure Ordered Introduced in the House This Afternoon.